

BURGLARIZING IN PARIS.

How a Newspaper Man Welcomed a Bill Sykes.

STORY OF A STOUT STRUGGLE.

Mr. Carnegie Dines the Grand Old Man—A Distinguished Present Remembering Tom Waller—A Calm Race.

A Parisian Burglary.

[Copyright 1889 by James Gordon Bennett.] Paris, June 18.—[New York Herald Cable—Special to THE BEE.]—When a burglar goes a-burgling, instead of basking in the sun, his life is sometimes not altogether a happy one. Instead of collaring the swag that is the object of his covetousness, he in some cases, catches a Tartar. This, at any rate, is what befell one of the Bill Sykes fraternity, in the small hours of Tuesday morning, at the Villa Marguerite, Rue d'Alsace, Saint Germain, where resides J. W. White, of the Herald.

Of late, White's professional duties have taken him away from home, frequently, and the house has been, at these times, without masculine protection. The gentleman with the mask and dark lantern probably counted on this particular state of affairs to enable him to accomplish his nefarious task, without too much opposition. He was, however, working in the dark, metaphorically, as well as literally, for White had suddenly returned home and was quietly slumbering at the time when his uninvited visitor made his entrance by the ground floor window.

Mrs. White was the first to obtain any inkling of the presence of a stranger in the house. She had been kept awake by the late return home of the next door neighbors, and was just commencing to doze off when she heard what apparently was the noise of a window being opened. She scarcely paid any attention to this, even when she heard steps coming up stairs. She felt no alarm for she fancied that it was her husband's mother who was making her way to the next room in which her daughter slept, and who had been ill for some time past. She judged it advisable, however, to wake her husband, who went to see if he could be of any service to his mother or daughter.

He opened the bedroom door quietly, so as not to startle the old lady. It was he who was startled as he emerged into the corridor, for a pair of horny hands grabbed him by the throat and a husky voice muttered: "I have you." Instantly the truth flashed across White's mind. The burglar was upon him, and he was in a piteous predicament. He was in a piteous predicament, but he was not a piteous man. He was a stout, well-to-do man, and he was not a piteous man.

This St. Germain Bill Sykes had, however, made somewhat of a grave error. White is an athlete of no mean quality, and it was he who had the visitor in a twinkling. His main object was to pinion the fellow's arms, and that if he but, my arms about him, he would be unable to use them. This, after disengaging those uncomfortably pressing fingers from his neck, he succeeded in doing. The burglar showed fight with a spirit worthy of a better cause. Fortunately for White his adversary's physical strength was not equal to his courage, but as it was, the struggle was a severe one. For close upon twenty minutes there was a monkey and a pained time in the staircase of that St. Germain villa.

Desperation lent strength to the burglar, while White felt that he was fighting for his life and probably for the lives of those he loved. For a time the antagonists swayed and staggered at the head of the stairs, and then the robber was lifted off his feet and fell backward down stairs, dragging his adversary with him.

The tumble was a violent one, particularly for the home-breaker, who was understood, and whose wind and senses went on a voyage of discovery for a time. What with the contact with the hard flooring and the crushing character of the way White came down upon him, the game was now in White's hands and before the gasping burglar was in a position to know what had struck him, he was seized by the scruff of his neck and the head of his pants and flung clean off the ground, where he fell with a crash of breaking glass and the burglar was hanging, head downwards, out of a window that looks on the landing. His ankles were held as in a vice by White's sinewy fingers.

All this time Mrs. White's mother-in-law and her maid had been ringing out cries upon the night air. Now there went up shrieks and screams of terror, and all of terror in every accent than all the rest.

"God in heaven, I'll die, I am killed," yelled the burglar. His position certainly was not a pleasant one. He was a good twenty feet from ground, which was at this spot paved with stones, which would have been a hard test of even a negro's cranial, much more so for that of an Englishman.

"What brought you here?" asked White. A series of dashes would best represent the reply to this question, until the midnight depredator, either having exhausted his stock of profane language or having come to the conclusion that it was not the intention to let him drop into the street, decided to speak in language suitable for a Christian's ears. At some stage of his travels the house-breaker must have kissed the blarney stone, for he tried the effect of flattery.

"You have saved my life. I like your face; there is something good in it. I will save your life in return. Don't go down stairs; my pals will kill you. Only let me go and you will be all right."

White was sternly silent. Then the thief tried another tack. "Oh, what a fool I have been. I let others persuade me; I was led astray; they sent me up to see if the coast was clear. I wish I had never done it."

All these disinterested lamentations were lost on White, who was now turning himself to the task of quieting the ladies of the house. Finally he turned to the penitent thief, and after changing his grasp from the man's ankles to the hand which was raised to him, he let the fellow drop into the street, as easily as possible under circumstances. Just as this was done a neighbor came running up, and thinking the burglar, who was lying on his back, was hurt, he stooped to raise him. For his pains this good Samaritan received a violent blow on a prominent facial organ.

He had a pistol, however, and a slight of the barrel glistening in the lamp light cowed the thief. A private carriage came along, and the owner courteously placed the vehicle at White's disposal for the purpose of conveying the prisoner to the nearest police station. Not over an hour's luxurious cushions this provided for him prevented the prisoner from making another attempt to gain his liberty, and he handed the coachman one, straight from the shoulder. The Gallic kick in the shins, by which the coachman responded, was, though not in accordance

THE PARENTS SUSPECTED.

Did Leavitt and His Wife Kill Their Little Girls?

THREATENED WITH ARREST.

Improvements in Nebraska Towns—The Boy Robber Caught—Field for a Terrible Crime—Some Crazy Men.

The Butchered Little Ones.

GRESHAM, Neb., June 18.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The coroner's inquest in the Leavitt murder case was concluded late last night with a verdict that the deceased came to their death from a sharp instrument in the hands of a person or persons to the jury unknown. To-day, Deputy Sheriff Murphy, with a posse of men, is making a rigid search of the premises and surrounding fields with the hope of finding some clue to the perpetrators of the crime. While the Bodwell theory is being thoroughly investigated, the strongest suspicion is now directed toward the parents of the murdered girls. Investigation fails to reveal some articles of clothing which they are known to have worn not long since.

One instance in particular, is cited. Deputy Sheriff Murphy, on the 29th of December last, arrested Mrs. Leavitt for trespass, kept her in custody for more than twenty-four hours at her own house, in lieu of taking her to jail. He says that he is positive she then wore a black alpaca dress; such a dress cannot be found, and the woman declares that the one she now wears is the only one she owns. The investigation is now being followed out on this line, and unless they are able to clear themselves of this suspicion they will be taken into custody. There are circumstances, however, which incriminate Steinbock, whom Mrs. Leavitt suspected of committing the crime. The bodies of the murdered girls are in the hands of the undertaker and will be prepared for burial to-morrow, at 10 a. m., at the DeWitt grave yard. Rev. Stark of Ulysses will officiate.

Improvements in Chadron.

CHADRON, Neb., June 18.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Some wonderful buildings were, to-day, removed on Second street, to make room for two more brick buildings; one to be erected by A. C. Putnam, and one by Myers & Boone. Both will be substantial. The new opera house, which is now under construction, is being completed and will, last Saturday night, be dedicated by a grand ball, given by the Comus club. The Chadron roller mills are preparing to enlarge to a two hundred barrel capacity per day. C. J. Davis has submitted proposals for a brick factory to be erected on the east side of the city. The Chadron college, to cost \$20,000 and be finished by November 15, S. K. Bates has the contract. Fred Prestelinger, who recently arrived from Philadelphia, will erect a brewery to cost \$80,000. These are some of Chadron's improvements now in hand and projected.

Hastings Telephone Enlargement.

HASTINGS, Neb., June 18.—[Special to THE BEE.]—Work was begun to-day on the new telephone system for Hastings. The central office will be removed to new and larger quarters in the Nebraska Loan and Trust company's block. An entire new set of telephones will be introduced, and the cost of the improvements will amount to several thousand dollars. The new improvements are made necessary by the extension of the new line giving Hastings telephone connection with Crete, Lincoln, Omaha, Plattsmouth and Nebraska City. The line is now being put in and the workmen are expected to arrive in Hastings within a few days.

Fun for Adams County.

HASTINGS, Neb., June 18.—[Special to THE BEE.]—The board of managers of the Adams County Agricultural society has made a contract with E. G. Butcher, of Cincinnati, for his attractions for the forthcoming exhibition. He furnished the association with the Ben-Hur chariot races, Roman mounted races, and the "Aerial Vehicular Equestrian Gymnasium." Governor Thayer has been invited to attend the exhibition, and will probably accept. Other distinguished visitors from different parts of the state have signified their intention to be present.

A Young Thief.

PLAINVIEW, Neb., June 18.—[Special to THE BEE.]—August Walters, the ten-year-old boy, who broke into the store of J. C. Foster, a few days since, went from there to Norfolk, at which place he was requested by a man at G. W. Box's livery barn, to drive a horse a few blocks to a man who was waiting for it. Instead of doing as directed, he and other musclemen, than was intended, he escaped with the horse. He was overhauled in Pierce county and is now in the custody of the law. The result of the trial is awaited with considerable interest by the people of this place.

Jeff Long's Case.

NORTH PLATTE, Neb., June 18.—[Special to THE BEE.]—The counsel for Jeff Long has returned from Lincoln, where he went to secure the liberty of the prisoner on a writ of habeas corpus. The court examined the briefs, but finding that the case was set for July, postponed action on it until August, when it will be given a trial, if not considered. Much local interest has been manifested in this case on account of the long delay in bringing it to trial, and the expense to the county. The press in Omaha and Chicago is taking it up, and it is likely that it will be settled next month.

Preparing for the Fourth.

CALLAWAY, Neb., June 18.—[Special to THE BEE.]—This town will celebrate the Fourth of July in the old-fashioned style. The orator of the day will be Hon. James Whitehead. There will be three horse races, a foot race, egg and sack races, a greased pig race, and a number of other amusements. A large crowd is expected to be present. The parade will be given a prize of a Callaway Village lot to the couple who will be publicly married on that day, the wedding ceremony to be performed on the speaker's platform.

A Couple of Crazy Men.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., June 18.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—An old citizen, named Thomas Nicholson, while temporarily insane last night, made a murderous assault with knives on several citizens. He was captured and locked up, but was discharged this morning, having fully recovered. The crazy man, Delbert Argus, who was brought to Omaha and Chicago is taking it up, and it is likely that it will be settled next month.

Guilty as Charged.

NEW YORK, June 18.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The recent sale of furniture and bric-a-brac of Rose Coghlan's house, in Nineteenth street, was the subject of a complaint of mutual agreement between the actress and Clinton Edgerly, her husband, to live apart hereafter. At the time of the recent sale of the furniture and bric-a-brac, the actress and her husband were living together, and this singular announcement led to a revelation of incompatible relations between the couple. Miss Coghlan married Edgerly about five years ago.

The Weather Indicator.

For Nebraska and Iowa: Light rain, slightly warmer, followed by slightly cooler, variable winds.

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Rain, followed in northern portions by fair, slightly cooler, variable winds.

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